DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC COMMENT

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) seek written and oral comments from interested persons on the development of a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for the Little Calfpasture River in Rockbridge County. The Little Calfpasture River was listed on the 1996 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report as impaired due to violations of the State's general (benthic) standard for aquatic life. This impairment extends for 0.82 miles from the Lake Merriweather Dam to the confluence with the Maury River.

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and §62.1-44.19:7.C of the Code of Virginia require DEQ to develop TMDLs for pollutants responsible for each impaired water contained in Virginia's 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report.

The final public meeting on the development of this TMDL will be held on **Thursday, November 19, 2009, 7:00 p.m**. at the Rockbridge Baths Volunteer Fire Department, 5024 Maury River Rd., Rockbridge Baths, VA. The TMDL document will be available on the DEQ website on or before November 19 at www.deq.virginia.gov/TMDL.

The public comment period for the final public meeting and TMDL document will end on December 18, 2009 at 11.59pm. Written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the comments and should be sent to Tara Sieber, Department of Environmental Quality, 4411 Early Road, PO Box 3000, Harrisonburg, VA 22801, telephone (540) 574-7870, fax (540) 574-7878, or e-mail tara.sieber@deq.virginia.gov.